

JAMES W. GILLMAN. The organizations of which James W. Gillman is president or identified in other official capacities would indicate him as one of the outstanding leaders in Utah agriculture and industries based on or closely related to agriculture. He has put a tremendous amount of energy and able management into his affairs, which accounts for the fact that though comparatively young he has reached such a commanding place in business affairs.

He was born at Pleasant Grove, Utah, February 21, 1885, son of James and Emma (Robins) Gillman. His father was born in 1863, having the distinction of being the first white child born in the Pleasant Grove district. He is still active as a farmer and rancher.

James W. Gillman attended public schools in Pleasant Grove and the Brigham Young Academy at Provo. In 1905, just at the entrance to young manhood, he gave a period of active service to the Latter Day Saints Church, spending twenty-six months on a mission in the southern states.

On his return in 1907 he engaged in farming in the Pleasant Grove district and in 1913 moved to the Orem district. His activities as a farmer have long been vested with more than an individual importance. Mr. Gillman owns and operates the second largest apple orchard in Utah. He owns several farms. He is president of the Provo Reservoir Water Users Irrigation Company, is president of the Utah State Sugar Beet Growers Association, and president of the Utah County Beet Growers Association. He was a director of the Fruit and Vegetable Organization at Pleasant Grove.

Community and governmental organizations as well as business have claimed part of his time. In 1919 he was elected a member of the Orem Town Board, serving six years, in 1925 was elected president of the town board, and in 1927 was chosen one of Utah County's Board of Commissioners, of which he is now chairman. For thirteen years he was a member of the Bishopric. He is at this time (1932) a member of the High Council of Timpanogos Stake.

He married, January 15, 1908, Miss Estella Walker, of Pleasant Grove, where her parents were early settlers. Their household includes ten children, Elda, John, Rhea, LaRue, Donna, Wendell, Glade, Dean, Beth and Norman.

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